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# SOLDIER | Healing family

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her husband, Ed.  
“The captain said he would call again as soon as he had more information,” Ed recalled.  
After the initial conversation with Brown, Ed and Rene received several “update” calls, calls that, after awhile, Leyva’s parents just didn’t want to get.  
“Every time someone would call, there would be more injuries,” Ed said.  
The reports about Leyva’s condition gradually grew more serious as callers told Rene and Ed that the explosion had actually caused injuries that resulted in the amputation of both Leyva’s legs and the loss of four of his fingers, two from each hand. Soon, the reports turned very grave and the Army began making arrangements to send Ed, Rene, Leyva’s sister Ashley, and his wife Raelynn to Germany because they did not think the 21-year-old soldier was going to make it.  
“Once I heard they were going to send us over, I knew it was very bad,” Rene said.

## ‘Half my boy’

Rene said she will never forget the moment her eyes locked on her son in the hospital room in Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.  
“I just saw my boy, half my boy, laying there with machines all over,” she said. “All I could see was his face, but that was all I needed to see.”  
Rene said she sat with her son for a little bit and told him that he didn’t get to leave her yet, that that was just not how it was going to happen.  
After awhile, she knew, somehow, that Leyva was going to make it.  
Ed, a firefighter/paramedic in New York, wasn’t so sure though.  
“I knew he was bad,” he said. “I didn’t know if he would be strong enough to overcome all the injuries. I was trying to prepare to be strong for everyone.”  
Shortly after Leyva’s family arrived at Landstuhl, doctors were able to stabilize the soldier enough to transport him to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas. The family followed their soldier to Texas and, for the most part, has been there ever since.  
“The first week in San Antonio was very dicey,” Ed recalled. “Matt had a fever all the time and his heart rate was very high and he just

wouldn’t stop bleeding.”  
While Ed was very concerned and concentrating on what was going on with Leyva medically, Rene remained calm and focused on her son.  
“I just sat with him, whispering in his ear and rubbing his head,” she said. “It was so hard, I just wanted to take all his pain away and I couldn’t.”  
The medical team at BAMC started bringing Leyva out of an induced coma about 10 days after he arrived in San Antonio. Rene said the day her boy finally opened his eyes and she could see that her son was “still there” was an amazing day.  
“It was still Matt,” Rene said, smiling at the memory.

## Road to recovery

Though she admits to “a few” breakdowns, Rene said she maintains a positive attitude during a sometimes “overwhelming” experience because Leyva is counting on her to be there for him.  
“Seeing his strength makes me feel like I can be strong for him,” she said.  
Ed said everything in his life has changed since he got the call about Leyva’s injury.  
“Things like this make you re-think your priorities,” he said. “Right now, there is nothing more important than getting Matt well - nothing.”  
For now, the family is addressing Leyva’s road to recovery one day at a time, celebrating small successes like the first time the 21-year-old was able to sit up on his own.  
“Matt is my hero for what he is doing now,” Ed said. “He is so strong and he is not letting anything get him down.”  
Celebrating things like the first time Leyva sat up and his first words remind Rene of her son’s first round of “firsts.”  
“This experience has been a lot like the time when he was a newborn,” she said. “The first night I saw him in Germany, all I wanted to do was crawl in bed with him and protect him just like I had when he was small.”  
Though uncertain of exactly what the future holds for them and their son, Rene and Ed said that for now and for the immediate future, they will remain in San Antonio to support their son’s recovery.  
“Matt has said that as long as we stick by him he’s going to be alright,” Rene said. “As long as he needs us, we are going to be right by his side.”

# Piano guest artist performs at K-State



Missy Calvert | Collegian

Guest artist **Laura Nocchiero** breathes with the music as she plays piano in All Faiths Chapel Tuesday. Nocchiero performed pieces by Claude Debussy and Fryderkyk Chopin.

# K-State wins Take Charge Challenge, saves energy, spreads awareness

**Laura Thacker**  
opinion editor

K-State has beaten the University of Kansas in the Take Charge Challenge.  
“Everybody cheered and high-fived. It took us 30 seconds to even get up there,” said Ben Champion, director of sustainability, describing the reaction when the K-State victory in the Take Charge Challenge was announced in Topeka.

The Take Charge Challenge involved 16 communities in Kansas and was organized by the Climate and Energy Project, according to a news release by K-State Communications and Marketing. The K-State and Manhattan communities were competing in the university region against the University of Kansas and Lawrence. K-State and Manhattan won the competition by beating them in two out of three categories, “lighting changes

and other energy efficiency measures” and “community involvement.” Lawrence beat Manhattan in the “whole-house energy efficiency” category, but, according to Champion, Lawrence is twice as large as Manhattan, and had six energy auditors in town, which made a difference. Manhattan currently has no auditors living here, but one came to help out

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# Couch Collective video gains popularity through YouTube



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In the front row, from left to right, is **Bethany Griffis, Jason Haffner, Conor Milne and Joe Simon**. In the back row is **Paul Menefee, Andrew Rostek, Nick Johnson and Preston Puthoff**. “The Couch Collective” video includes many people who jumped in at the moment of filming.

**Jakki Thompson**  
staff writer

With a couch outside of the men’s residence hall of Manhattan Christian College, three men set out to stop motion a couch touring the K-State campus. “The Couch Collective” video on YouTube has now become a hit with 11,000 views. The three brains behind the production are becoming more and more publicized.

“Greg and I have been roommates for three years now,” said Austin Rupe, director, choreographer and editor of the video and senior in industrial engineering. “We had always done something big. We had gotten into films for fun and had done a really fun stop motion before. I was sitting in class and the idea of a couch being easy to move was where this idea had spawned from.”

Greg. Moore, photographer of the video and junior in youth ministry at MCC, and Joe Simon, the main actor in “The Couch Collective” and freshman in open option at MCC, said they were intrigued with the idea of this video. When Rupe approached them with the idea, Rupe said it interested them because it was something different.

“We had done a still motion before ‘The Couch Collective,’” Moore said. “The previous video had taken a really long time, so I knew this was going to take a really long time. Every day we went out to shoot, I liked shooting a little less each day.”

The video took two and a half months of shooting and editing. Moore said the first day of shooting there weren’t feet on the couch, which made it difficult to move around campus. After

they had purchased casters, Moore and Rupe said the couch became a breeze to move.

“When they first asked me to do this, I thought ‘sweet, this could be really cool,’” Simon said. “When we started doing the math on how long this was going to take, I kept saying we were doing our math wrong. I kept saying it was too high, that this was going to take forever.”

Filming started in the parking garage attached to the K-State Student Union then moved into the Union to continue the sequence and the tour. Rupe said they received two reactions when filming. One reaction was people completely ignoring them. The other reaction was people asking what they were doing and if they could help.

“Outside of the Union, in the courtyard, people would

come toward us,” Moore said. “But after the realized what we were doing, they would take a completely different route and walk completely around what we were doing.”

The creation of this process was a long and detailed one. The video is comprised of complete photographs that were formatted into a video with .03 to .05 seconds for each photo. This gives the video the effect of people moving due to the choppiness of the photos used. More than 3,000 photos were used.

“Midway through we kind of hit a slump,” Rupe said. “We hit a point where for two weeks, we didn’t do anything toward completing the video. We all were worn down from the amount of work the video was.”

After the slump passed, the group was able to finish the video and post it to

YouTube three days before their expected release date. Within the first seven days of being online, the video achieved 10,000 hits. It has been shared more than 2,000 times on Facebook.

“I would have never dreamt it was going to be this big,” Rupe said. “People were and are spreading it. There were so many people in the video who have just continued to share it and spread it around to so many people.”

The video was named after five minutes of brainstorming. Moore threw out the name “The Couch Collective” after the video was finished. He said they wanted to choose something that reflected the whole group of people involved, and “The Couch Collective” was suggested and chosen.

“Even though it was thrown out at like three in

the morning, there were some things we wanted the name to have,” Rupe said. “We wanted it to mean something, it had to be catchy and we wanted it to tie into the quote at the end of the video.”

One of the things Rupe and Moore did after completing the project was contact every person involved in its creation.

“All of the people who were a part of the video are incredibly active in sharing it,” Simon said. “One of the things we really hope for is that it doesn’t just die out just because we have posted it.”

Rupe said it means a lot to them to thank those who have helped the video become a hit.

“We want to thank everyone who reads this article and, to everyone who has helped this video grow,” Rupe said, “we thank you.”

# Roller derby provides women with physical contact sport

**Emily Henderson**  
staff writer

The Flint Hills Roller Derby team, the Stone Cold Foxes, is a skater-owned and non-profit organization that was created in July by coach Kate Boltz.

The team practices under the Women’s Flat Track Derby Association rules and regulations and is comprised of women in the Fort Riley, Junction City and Manhattan area.

Boltz played for a roller derby team before moving to the Junction City area in June. “I searched for a local team,” Boltz said. “When I didn’t find one, I decided to take all the time I had left in Georgia and train as a coach.”

Boltz said she began laying the groundwork in April and had the team running three months later.

“I used word of mouth and Facebook to get started, then I skated every Friday night at the local rink in my gear so people would want to know what I was up to,” Boltz said.

The team practices at the National Guard Armory in Junction City three times a week and have a fourth night of open skate where the team

can bond.

“The girls are more like family than just friends and the workout is killer,” said team member Kandess Nantz.

The team also works with a trainer to enhance the workouts.

**“You get to not be someone’s mom, someone’s wife, someone’s employee. You get to be a superhero for a few hours and it’s a great stress reliever.”**

**Kate Boltz**  
coach

“It’s a fantastic sport that is high in energy and sometimes intense to watch,” said trainer Mia Cosentino.

The team consists of women who would like to experience a contact sport. There are a variety of different professions represented on

the team, from paralegals and students to housewives and soldiers.

“You get to not be someone’s mom, someone’s wife, someone’s employee. You get to be a superhero for a few hours and it’s a great stress reliever,” Boltz said.

In flat track roller derby, there are five girls from each team on the track at once, four blockers and one jammer. The jammer is the woman who scores the points by passing the opposing team’s blockers.

The Stone Cold Foxes’ season lasts nine months and has one bout per month. A bout is the term for games or meets in roller derby. According to the Women’s Flat Track Derby Association, the term bout comes from boxing because roller derby is a fight to the end.

“It is a very demanding sport, the violence level is that of football,” Boltz said.

It takes approximately four to eight months to train someone to competition level, according to Boltz.

“Most of the team is still in training mode,” Boltz said. “Our season will begin in February.”

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-Compiled by Kelsey Castanon

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# Snyder discusses loss, addition of Mountaineers to Big 12

Sean Frye  
staff writer

Coming off a 58-17 rout at the hands of the Oklahoma Sooners, K-State football head coach Bill Snyder addressed the media on Tuesday and talked about how his team is handling the loss, as well as his team's preparations for its game against the No. 3 Oklahoma State Cowboys.

Snyder said that his team was handling the loss to the Sooners well despite the point differential and the implications surrounding the game.

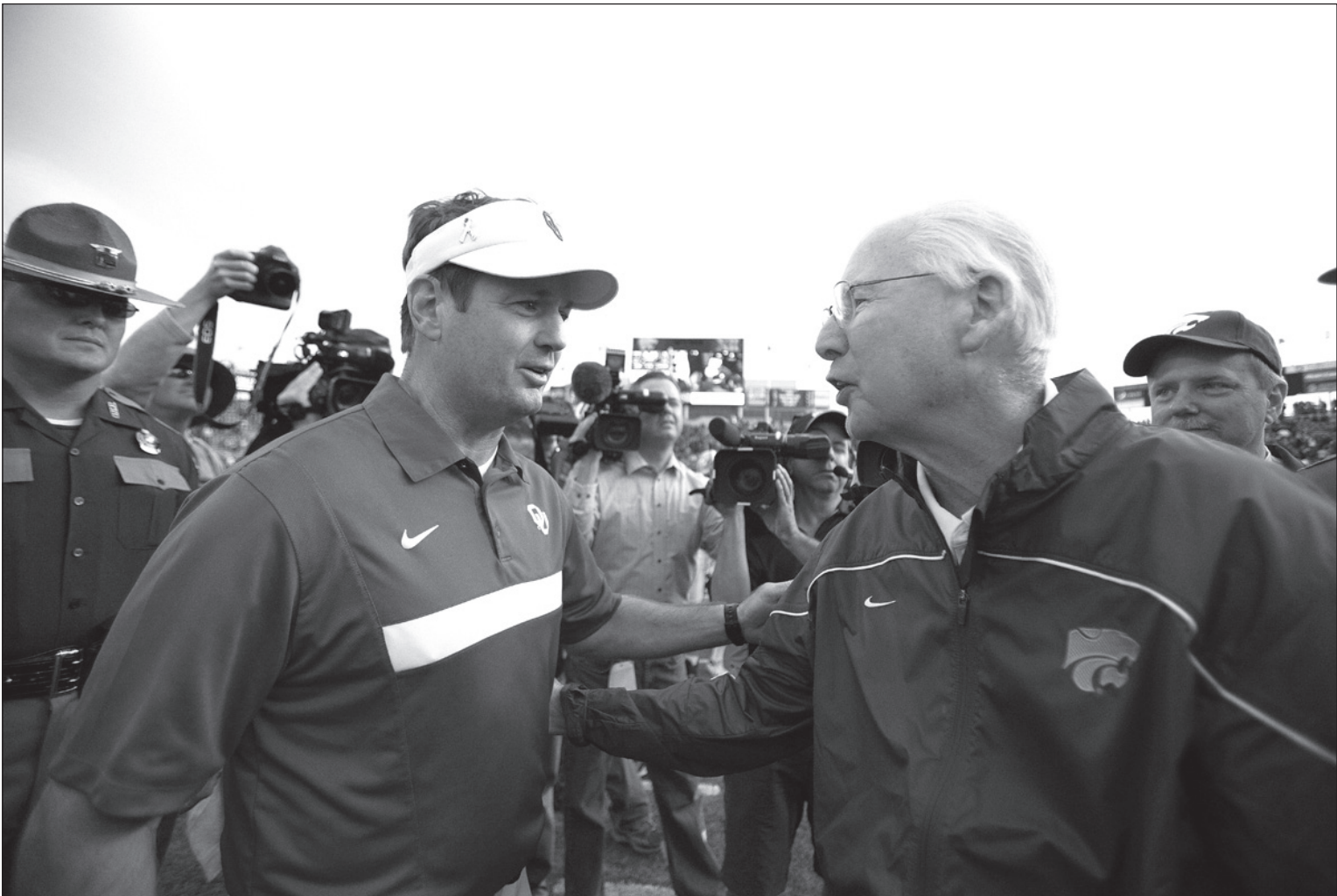
"The natural instinct is that it breeds anger, and how much of that was there, I would not know," Snyder said. "I probably did not put them in the position where they would exhibit that. It does not do me any good to go around and ask them one-by-one 'are you mad?' But, I think yesterday and last night I did see a degree of focus on what they were attempting to do. I saw some young guys step up and really try to help and make things on the field a little bit more competitive, which benefits all of our guys to a certain degree."

Many teams go through difficult times after facing a loss in the fashion that K-State did on Saturday. However, the players are attempting to put the game in the past and keep spirits high.

"The morale is good," said offensive lineman B.J. Finney. "We are not too worried about what had happened on Saturday and it kind of stings thinking about it. We have to put it behind us and prepare for Oklahoma State."

With the Oklahoma game behind them, Snyder and the team have turned their focus to the Cowboys, who the Wildcats travel to and face on Saturday.

"We are definitely hurt," said linebacker Jonathan Truman. "We are mad about



Head coach **Bill Snyder** congratulates Oklahoma head coach **Bob Stoops** on the Sooners 58-17 victory.

Logan M. Jones | Collegian

it, and we are getting focused and getting right for the next game against Oklahoma State. It is good motivation for us."

One aspect that is part of the preparation process is being able to get motivated for the game. Following losses, many teams face hangover effects the following week. Despite that, the Wildcats are looking to go into Stillwater, Okla. with a load of confidence.

"Our confidence has stayed the same," Finney said.

"Nobody expected us to be 7-1 at this point. We are writing our own future and the guys are remembering that. We are just going to continue to do what we do and hopefully it pans out for us."

While the K-State defense received a black eye on Saturday, there was one bright spot in the game. Defensive back Nigel Malone recorded two interceptions, and his play so far this year has earned him the honor being a semifinalist for

the Jim Thorpe Award, which honors the country's best defensive back.

"It is definitely a great honor," Malone said. "Coming into the season, that was pretty much the last thing that I was thinking about, but it feels good to just be thought of in that upper echelon group of corners. So it means a lot."

Malone will have his biggest test of the year this weekend when he faces Justin Blackmon, one of the nation's

best receivers and a projected top-ten NFL draft pick this upcoming spring.

"They throw it to him, he catches it and runs it to the end zone," Snyder said. "That is just what he does. Some of the best have lined up against him and tried to stop him and have had no success doing it. It is just a matter of, can you do it? He does it."

Snyder also addressed the news that West Virginia University is going to be added as

a member of the Big 12 Conference.

"I think it makes sense to have the additional team in the conference, I certainly do," he said. "I think West Virginia is a good program. Sometimes you have to consider what your options are as well. Whatever the options are, you will have to travel. We are caught in that 'nobody wants the additional travel, but we want the additional teams in our conference.'"

## Two Minute Drill

Monty Thompson  
sports editor

### NFL:

After losing the first three games of the season, the Kansas City Chiefs have won four in a row and are now tied for first place in the American Football Conference West Division. Monday night's game against the San Diego Chargers was sloppy to say the least, with four turnovers given up from each team. Thanks to a costly fumble late in the game, the Chiefs were able to avoid giving up the lead in the final minutes of regulation. Kicker Ryan Succop sealed the victory for Kansas City with a 30-yard field goal in overtime. The Chiefs will try to continue their winning streak next week when they host the Miami Dolphins at 12 p.m. Sunday.

### MLB:

New York Yankees pitcher CC Sabathia has passed up the free-agent market and will stay with the team for several more years. Sabathia agreed to a deal on Monday that added \$30 million to his current contract and another season with the organization. The 31-year-old lefty will now receive a total of \$122 million over the next five years as Sabathia remains the ace of the Yankees' pitching staff.

### NBA:

Miami Heat owner Micky Arison was fined by the NBA on Monday for \$500,000 for a series of public comments regarding the lockout made via Twitter. During the lockout, owners and league executives are under a mandate to not discuss the events taking place. Though all of Arison's violations were responses to Tweets from his followers, and many of them were quickly deleted, the league did not hesitate to sanction the Miami billionaire. Arison is the third owner that has been fined during the lockout for improper public comments.

### NCAA:

As West Virginia University continues its attempt to join the Big 12 Conference, the university has filed a lawsuit in an attempt to breach its current contract with the Big East Conference. The Big East holds all departing teams to a 27-month waiting period, but West Virginia believes that the actions of commissioner John Marinatto have voided the bylaws of their contract. Though the Big 12 had previously announced that the Mountaineers would be members of the conference in 2012, Marinatto has stood by the laws of the schools' contract and has said that they will not be eligible to join until 2014.

## Predictions on upcoming Big 12 basketball season



### 1. KU-

The Jayhawks are coming off an outstanding year in which they went 35-3, but unfortunately, it is how the season ended that the fans will remember. The Jayhawks were upset as the number one seed by last year's Cinderella VCU in the Elite Eight.

The Jayhawks lost a lot of talent from last year's team. The Morris twins as well as sharpshooters Brady Morningstar and Tyrell Reed are no longer on the team. However, as is the case at KU, there still is a lot of talent on the cupboard.

The Jayhawks will feature the Big 12 Conference's best starting backcourt in Tyshawn Taylor and the super-athletic Elijah Johnson. Inside the Jayhawks will be led by Thomas Robinson who emerged as a potential lottery pick at the end of last season.

The key to the Jayhawks' season will be how the role-players play alongside the three stars. If they can get good contributions from guys like Travis Releford, Jeff Withey and Naadir Tharpe, then this team has the potential to get back to where they were last year and potentially farther.

### 2. Baylor-

On paper, the Bears have as much talent as any team in the country. If this talent can coexist, then this team will have a legitimate chance at a final four berth.

The team did not expect Perry Jones to come back after his freshman year. However, that is just what he did. Jones, who stands at 6'11", is an absolute beast that can score from anywhere on the field.

Jones is the leader on what is one of the deepest front courts in the country. Joining Jones is senior bruiser Quincy Acy, the athletic Anthony Jones, former McDonald's All-American J'Menson Morgan, and freshman sensation Quincy Miller. These five interior players will be able to dominate teams on the backboards due to their incredible depth. As good as their frontcourt is, it may be the play of the backcourt that determines if this team can achieve what they have the potential to achieve.

The Bears' weakness last season was the play of the guards. They really missed Twenty Carter, who gradu-

ated the year before. With another year under his belt, point guard A.J. Walton has the potential to be able to run the show in Waco, Texas. He is not needed to score 20 points, just to handle the ball and get it inside to the big guys.

Deuce Bello, a high school teammate of Quincy Miller's, will be looked upon to give the Bears scoring from the outside. Bello should be able to thrive off of the post play and get many opportunities to get to the bucket.

Baylor has a plethora of guys that can put the ball in the basket. If this team comes together like coach Scott Drew thinks it can, then this team could be playing important games in April.

His ability to get up and down the court will give opposing big men problems, and should enable the Aggies to push the tempo a little more than in the past.

The Aggies will once again be one of the hardest working and best rebounding teams in the country. Middleton has the capability to put the team on his back and carry them through tough games, which is a great ability to have come tournament time.

### 4. Texas-

After another disappointing exit in the NCAA tournament and then losing three players early to the NBA draft, many would expect the Longhorns to have a major slip this year. However, as Rick Barnes has

well for the Wildcats.

However, late in the year the team started to play some great basketball and were very close to reaching the Sweet 16 for the second consecutive season. The Wildcats will look to continue this success into the season.

Rodney McGruder will be looked upon to be the leader of the team. McGruder averaged over 11 points and six rebounds a game last year and should now be able to increase those statistics as he will be the focal point on the offense.

Will Spradling was a pleasant surprise as a freshman. As a sophomore, he will be counted on to run the offense. Spradling has a great understanding of the game and is under control when handling

the type of player who does not care if an opponent is at the rim, he is still going to take it to the rim hard.

Look for Oklahoma State to use him in a lot of different positions. He will mainly play the three, but if the Cowboys elect to go to a small lineup, they can put him at the four to create a matchup. Senior point guard Keiton Page will benefit from having Nash on the team.

Page, a sharpshooting point guard, should have a lot of open three-point attempts due to teams focusing on Nash.

Page will team up with Fred Gullett for a solid backcourt that will be able to score from the perimeter.

The Cowboys, like many teams in the Big 12, are young, but they have the potential to be a sleeper in the NCAA tournament.

### 7 Iowa State-

With most of the Big 12 teams looking for freshmen to help their teams this year, the Cyclones will be leaning on transfers.

The Cyclones have a lot of transfers, but will look to a couple of former Big 10 Conference players to lead their team.

Royce White, a big time recruit, comes in from Minnesota. White was never able to see the court as issues off the court derailed his career at Minnesota. He comes to Iowa State hoping to take advantage of a second chance.

White is a bruising power forward that has a nice touch at the rim. He will give the Cyclones a true post presence in a league that does not have many. However, it is the perimeter play that makes the Cyclones a sleeper in the Conference.

In from Michigan State is Chris Allen. He will team up with Scott Christopherson to form a backcourt that complements White in the frontcourt. Christopherson was among the nation's leaders from the three-point line, and with Allen's slashing ability and White's inside presence, he should have even more shots from deep.

### 8. Missouri-

The Tigers have had a rough offseason. The Tigers lost their coach Mike Anderson to Arkansas and hired Frank Haith from Miami.

However, the transition has not been that smooth due to the allegations that Haith knew that his players were involved with the infamous Shapiro scandal. Missouri has stood behind their coach and are expecting great things from him.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS		FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE	
Player of the year – Perry Jones Baylor		PG – Tyshawn Taylor Kansas	
Newcomer of the year - Royce White Iowa State		SG – Khris Middleton Texas A&M	
Freshman of the year- LeBryan Nash Oklahoma State		SF – LeBryan Nash Oklahoma State	
Sleeper of the team - Oklahoma State		PF – Perry Jones Baylor	
Coach of the year – Bill Self		C- Thomas Robinson Kansas	

### 3. Texas A&M-

The Aggies always seem to be a team that gets a lot out of its players. They play hard on the defensive end and rebound very well, all without ever having a star player. However, this year's Texas A&M team appears to have a potential star.

Khris Middleton, a 6'7" junior from South Carolina, led the team last year with 14.4 points per game. Middleton has the complete offensive game and can score from anywhere on the court. With new head coach Billy Kennedy coming to College Station, Texas, Middleton will be counted on to help the team adjust to his coaching philosophies. Middleton will also have a lot of other players around him that can make plays.

Elston Turner, a transfer from Washington, will be counted on to give the team that second perimeter scorer. Turner, two years ago at Washington, shot 38 percent from the three point line, and will be counted on to keep shooting like that at Texas A&M. Inside David Loubeau will man the middle.

Loubeau, a very athletic big man, is a rebounding presence.

shown in the past, he can flat recruit.

In comes in Myck Kabongo, a freshman from Toronto, that has big time potential. Team him up with junior J'Covan Brown and you have the potential for a backcourt capable of having monster games.

Joining them in the backcourt will be Julien Lewis, another freshman that can put the ball in the hoop from all over the court. The backcourt will be counted on as the frontcourt is a little thinner than it has been in the past.

Alexis Wangmene played a significant amount down the stretch and will be counted upon to pick up some of the slack. Wangmene is a little undersized at 6'7", but he has a high motor and is very athletic.

Texas will be a team that might struggle early as they have so many new faces, but by the end of the year, their backcourt will give a lot of teams fits.

### 5. Kansas State-

The Wildcats were an interesting team last year. They were a preseason pick to reach the Final Four. However, things did not start out very

the ball. With his great outside shooting and effort on defense, Spradling should emerge as a true threat for the Wildcats. A key will be the emergence of Jamar Samuels.

Samuels has always been a spark of the bench, but will be looked upon now to be more of a scorer. Samuels has the talent to be a 10-12 point scorer and a seven or eight rebounds per game type of guy, he just needs to be more consistent.

Coach Martin is one of the most passionate coaches in the country, and his players feed off his energy. Martin has said this is the most athletic team he has had at K-State, so look for the Wildcats to get after teams on the defensive end of the court.

### 6.Oklahoma State-

Very rarely does a team rely on a freshman to be its go-to guy. However, most teams do not have a freshman quite like LeBryan Nash.

Nash is a 6'7" 230 pound freshman who has ability to be a program-changing type of player. Nash is an extremely athletic forward that has a nasty side to his game. He is



# We can't wait: helping manage student loan debt in America



Over the last few weeks, I've had the opportunity to get out of Washington and talk with folks across the country about how we can create jobs and get our economy growing faster. This is a tough time for a lot of Americans – especially young people. You've come of age at a time of profound change. The world has gotten more connected, but it's also gotten more competitive. And for decades, too many of our institutions – from Washington to Wall Street – failed to adapt, culminating in the worst financial crisis and recession since the Great Depression.

For the last three years, we've worked to stabilize the economy, and we've made some progress. But we still have a long way to go. And now, as you're getting ready to head out into the world, many of you are watching your friends and classmates struggle to find work. You're wondering what's in store for your future, and I know that can be scary. The truth is, the economic problems we face today didn't happen overnight, and they won't be solved overnight. But the fact that you're investing in your education right now tells me that you believe in the future of America. You want to be a part of it. And you know that there are steps we can take right now to put Americans back to work and give our economy a boost. The problem is, there are some in Washington who just don't share that sense of urgency. That's why it's been so disappointing to see Republicans in Congress block jobs bills from

going forward – bills that independent economists say could create millions of jobs though the kinds of proposals supported by Democrats and Republicans in the past. Now, the best way to attack our economic challenges and put hundreds of thousands of people back to work is through bold action in Congress. That's why I'm going to keep demanding that members of Congress to vote on common sense, paid-for jobs proposals. And I hope you'll send them a message to do the right thing for your future, and the future of our country. But we can't wait for Congress to do its job. So where they won't act, I will. That's why I've announced a new policy that will help families whose home values have fallen refinance their mortgages and save thousands of dollars. We made it easier for veterans to get jobs putting their skills to work in hospitals and community

health centers. And at the University of Colorado at Denver, I announced steps we're taking to make college more affordable and to make it even easier for students like you to get out of debt faster. Michelle and I know what it feels like to leave school with a mountain of debt. We didn't come from wealthy families. By the time we both graduated from law school, we had about \$120,000 worth of debt between us. And even though we were lucky enough to land good jobs with steady incomes, it still took us almost 10 years to finally pay it all off. It wasn't easy. Living with that much debt forces you to make some tough choices. And when a big chunk of every paycheck goes towards student loans, it isn't just painful for you – it's painful to our economy and harmful to our recovery. That's why we're making

changes that will give about 1.6 million students the ability to cap their loan payments at 10 percent of their income starting next year. We're also going to take steps to help you consolidate your loans so that instead of making multiple payments to multiple lenders every month, you only have to make one payment a month at a better interest rate. And we want to start giving students a simple fact sheet called "Know Before You Owe" so you can have all the information you need to make your own decision about paying for college. That's something Michelle and I wish we had. These changes will make a real difference for millions of Americans. We'll help more young people figure out how to afford college. We'll put more money in your pocket after you graduate. We'll make it easier to buy a house or save for retirement. And we'll give our economy a boost at a time

when it desperately needs it. That's not just important for our country right now – it's important for our future. Michelle and I are where we are today because our college education gave us a chance. Our parents and their generation worked and sacrificed to hand down the dream of opportunity to us. Now it's our turn. That dream of opportunity is what I want for my daughters, and for all of you. And even in these tough times, we are going to make that dream real once again. In the weeks ahead, I'm going to keep doing everything in my power to make a difference for the American people – including young people like you. Because here in America, when we find a problem, we fix it. When we face a challenge, we meet it. We don't wait. And I hope you'll join me.

**Barack Obama is the 44th President of the United States.**

## Students rally against student debt at Sallie Mae headquarters

**Zach C. Cohen**  
The Eagle, American University

American University students joined their peers from other D.C. universities to protest high student loan debt on Oct. 28. Protestors, including about a dozen AU students, marched in the streets from an Occupy D.C. camp in McPherson Square to the D.C. headquarters of Sallie Mae, a company that provides student loans. On the way, the group of students and some teachers blocked the streets, making it impossible for traffic to pass. Shouts of "Hey hey, ho ho, student debt has got to go," and "When education's under attack, what do we do? Stand up, fight back," filled the air during the mile-long walk. Students blocked all three entrances to Sallie Mae by linking arms and standing shoulder-to-shoulder, shouting slogans and demanding to speak with a representative. At the same time, other students taped letters of protests and signs on the pillars in front of the building. "If we had money, we would get in," the group shouted to the beat of a drum. Michael Dranove, junior in the College of Arts and Sciences at AU, even led the protest playing trombone while his peers shouted slogans and carried signs that said "Students & Workers: United for Justice." For most of the AU protestors, this was not their first time supporting the Occupy movement.

Many said they have protested in the past or have even spent the night at McPherson. Steve Demarest, junior in the School of Public Affairs at AU, doesn't have student debt himself, but he said he still doesn't think people should have to choose between going to college and accumulating debt and not going to college and not getting a job. "It's a real sort of prison we've fallen into," Demarest said. Cody Steele, senior in the School of International Service at AU, has been actively involved in the Occupy movement for a few weeks now, and he hopes to make Occupy AU a reality. "I would love to work with a group at AU," Steele said. "I'd love to see kids at AU step up or hold an event or hold an action on campus," Steele said. Other student protestors said they would like to see free higher education, including Allison Arlotta, junior in the School of Communication at AU, even though she said it may be "a pipe dream." Another protestor held a sign outside Sallie Mae that said "Free Higher Education." Most of the protestors proclaimed their dissatisfaction with "the status quo." Faith Masi, a sophomore in SPA at AU, said she thinks a lot of the problems with high student debt can be solved by higher taxes on the rich. "Higher education should not be attacked and student loans should not be, I don't know, crippling so many people," Masi said. "It's the reason a lot of people don't go to college or drop out."

## BIG 12 | Top 8 teams tournament contenders

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However, the worst news from the offseason is the injury to Laurence Bowers. Bowers tore his ACL and is presumably out for the year. This makes a backcourt that was going to be heavily depended on that much more important. Marcus Denmon and Kim English will look to provide more scoring to make up for the loss of Bowers. Denmon is the leading returning scorer after averaging just under 17 points per game. English also averages 10 points per game. Even though Anderson is gone, expect the players that are still on the team to play that full-court defense. With a frontcourt without much depth, it will be key for the Tigers to not allow the game to turn in a half-court game.

9. Oklahoma-

The Lon Kruger era begins at Oklahoma. The Sooners have been down the past two years due to players like Blake Griffin and Willie Warren leaving school early. However, there is some talent at Oklahoma that should have the Sooners competitive this season. Power forward Andrew Fitzgerald came on last year and averaged 12 points to go along with five rebounds a game. He will be counted on to battle down low with some of the explosive athletes in the Big 12. Another player that will be counted on to help Fitzgerald down low is Mississippi State transfer Romero Osby. Osby is similar to Fitzgerald in stature and should give the Sooners a good one-two punch down low. On the perimeter, Steven Pledger will look to build off a successful year and give the Sooners outside scoring.

Pledger averaged 11 point per game and also led the team, shooting 35 percent from the three and 85 percent from the free throw line. The Sooners are still probably at least a year from getting back to competing in the Big 12, but with Kruger at the helm, it will happen. 10. Texas Tech – Like Oklahoma, a new coach is taking over at Texas Tech. Red Raider fans know him very well as he was the coach at Texas A&M from 2004-2007. Billy Gillispie will look to get the Red Raiders back to being able to compete in the loaded Big 12. However, it may take a little while for the Red Raiders to get back to the days when Ronald Ross and Andre Emmett were flying up and down the court. This team lost their top four scorers and will be led by Robert Lewandowski, a

senior from Overland Park, Kan. The center averaged 8.5 points a game last year and will be looked upon to increase that average in order to help the team compete. Texas Tech is a young team that is not quite where they want to be. The Red Raiders will give out great effort night in and night out, but the overall talent is not there for them to be a legitimate contender. Conference Outlook- The Big 12 this year may not quite have the top teams like in years past, but this may be the deepest the Conference has been in years. The top eight teams all have a legitimate chance at playing in the NCAA tournament, which should make a for a heck of a regular season race. Mark Kern is senior in journalism and mass communications. Send comments to sports@spub.ksu.

## ALPHA AUCTION| Winners to be taken on dates

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show the university "we can be down to earth." Yahaya and Vuna Adams III, vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha and sophomore in finance and accounting, set up jars at the booth with names of all the members of their fraternity to start their second annual silent auction. They plan to have the booth in the Union every Tuesday and Thursday throughout Novem-

ber. Women may bid by placing money in one of the jars, along with their name, phone number and amount donated to bid on the man of their choice. The winner will be taken out on a dinner date by their chosen man, where they will be treated like a lady, according to Yahaya. Many women feel unappreciated and the date was thought up as a way to show young women they are appreciated, Yahaya said.

The money raised from the silent auction will go to purchase food and Christmas gifts for women in need at The Crisis Center, Inc. Yahaya said the fraternity raised more than \$5,000 in their first year of the silent auction and hope to double that amount this year. Yahaya said he won the competition last year and would not mind winning for the second year in a row. "I'm in it to win it," Yahaya said.

Alpha Phi Alpha is also gearing up for their 13th annual Miss Black and Gold pageant on Dec. 3, which provides scholarships to the winners. For more information on how to donate, contact Alpha Phi Alpha at kstatealphas@gmail.com, on Twitter at "kstatealphas", or on their official website at kstatealphas.com. "Come down and see us," Yahaya said. "We're here for the community and we always want to be mentors."



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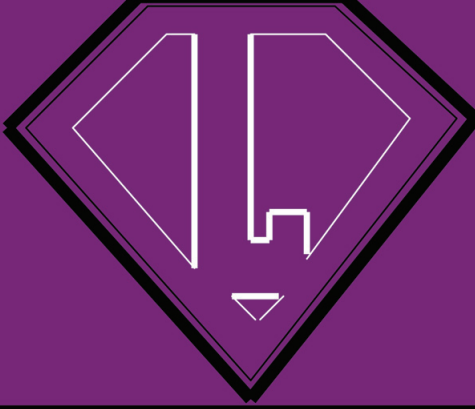
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# K-State Daily Briefs

**Karen Ingram**  
news editor

There has been a change of date for students to purchase class rings and graduation announcements. A representative will be at the Union Bookstore from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 2 and 3 to assist students who have not ordered online. Questions may be directed to the Bookstore at 785-532-6583.

Enrollment is now open for the January 2012 Intersession. Classes will be held from Dec. 27 to Jan. 13, 2012. Students may direct questions to their adviser. A list of classes is available at [dce.k-state.edu/courses/intersession/students](http://dce.k-state.edu/courses/intersession/students).

The Stiefel Theatre in Salina will be holding their first annual Stiefel Watson Gallery Juried Art Exhibit on Nov. 3, during First Thursday Art Rush from 5 to 7 p.m. The work of 17 artists from Saline and surrounding counties will be featured in the Watson Gallery through December.

More than 160 soldiers returned to Fort Riley from a one year deployment to Baghdad on Friday. The soldiers are members of the 2nd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division. The “Dagger” soldiers were deployed in November 2010 in support of Operation New Dawn. A ceremony will be held at 9 p.m. at building 88312 on Custer Hill.

# Artist, survivor to be showcased at center

**Caroline Sweeney**  
managing editor

Until Nov. 30, the Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research is displaying work by Aribel Leon-Lynn. Leon-Lynn is a breast cancer survivor who started painting during her treatments. She moved to Fort Riley from Panama at age 12.

“She was such a neat woman when I met her...she was wonderful,” said Marcia Locke, public relations and outreach coordinator for the cancer research center.

Locke said Leon-Lynn is also working on a book of her paintings. The paintings are being ac-

companied with commentary about her time in treatment.

“Her paintings have become really something,” Locke said.

Leon-Lynn has had paintings and events in Kansas City, Lawrence and Junction City.

The exhibit is located in the halls of the cancer research center and will be available to the public through Nov. 30. The building is located on 17th Street across from Gen. Myers Hall. The building is open from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

For more information visit [www.cancer.k-state.edu](http://www.cancer.k-state.edu) or call 785-532-6705.

# City reports on future plans

**Jakki Thompson**  
staff writer

The city commissioners voted to approve the new Traffic Operations Facility to be located north of Fort Riley Boulevard and south of El Paso Lane on both sides of Eleventh Street at their meeting on Tuesday night. This new building will give space to the staff who control the traffic signals and signs in Manhattan as well as other traffic-related issues.

Mayor Jim Sherow presented the monthly Community Service award. This month the award was presented to the committee members of the Take Charge Challenge. Even though not all of the main leaders of this commit-

tee were in attendance, Sherow and other chairs spoke positively about the initiative. Noel Schulz, K-State first lady and university chair, and Bruce Snead, community chair, both spoke about how this was a community effort. Snead and Schulz both said that without the help of the community and the university, the win over Laurence and the University of Kansas wouldn't have been possible.

The Manhattan VFW was honored with a proclamation at the meeting on Tuesday night. Sherow strongly encouraged all community members of Manhattan to contribute to the Buddy Poppy fundraiser on Nov. 5. All the proceeds of the Buddy Poppy fundraiser

go to disabled soldiers and their families.

During the regular agenda, representatives from the Flint Hills Discovery Center spoke about their proposed hours of operation, their admission fees and their facility usage fees. The Flint Hills Discovery Center's hours of operation will be shortened from Labor Day to Memorial Day and lengthened from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Admission fees will be \$9 for adults, \$7 for senior citizens, students, military personnel and organized groups of 20 people or more, \$4 for children, \$3 for school groups and free for anyone under the age of two. Facility usage fees will vary on length of time and amount of people at the event.

# ECO | K-State, Manhattan win Take Charge

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with audits.

About 25 people from K-State and the Manhattan were a part of the challenge's local leadership team, according to first lady Noel Schulz, co-chair of the challenge and professor of electrical and computer engineering.

“Like our K-State football team, it really was a team effort,” said Schulz, “with different folks helping out in many different ways and different times.”

This team even included a regional coordinator, Simon Sylvestre-Chaudhuri, who worked 20 hours a week as a liaison between the K-State and Manhattan team and the Climate and Energy Project, according to Schulz.

Bruce Snead, co-chair of the challenge and head of K-State engineering extension, said in an email interview that seeing results after all the hard work put into the project was gratifying, and he hopes that the results continue.

“We hope that the awareness raised through the challenge will persist in people thinking

about energy when they use and replace lights and set their thermostats,” he said.

Here on the K-State campus there was support and help from

ing updates in Aggieville will be courtesy of these winnings, and a committee made up of the leadership team and students will develop a list of projects for

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many different arenas, including Casey Lauer, director of energy and environment, student director of sustainability Grant Hill, junior in accounting, and various organizations, including Greeks Go Green.

In addition to bragging rights, the K-State and Manhattan team received \$100,000 to be spent on energy efficiency, which will be split evenly between the city and the campus, according to Schulz. Future projects, such as light-

ing updates in Aggieville will be courtesy of these winnings, and a committee made up of the leadership team and students will develop a list of projects for

the K-State funds, which will be presented to the President's cabinet for a final decision.

The ability to beat KU and Lawrence came as a courtesy of a “tremendously powerful community-wide partnership,” said Champion, which included realtors, local businesses and even a local pastor. Some of the changes made in the community during the nine-month challenge included the replacement of all the light bulbs in Manhattan Town Center

with energy efficient bulbs.

The first family opened up the President's Residence to an energy audit earlier this year, which then resulted in a volunteer work project for students in the department of architectural engineering and construction science.

“We can tell a difference,” said Schulz. “We don't have as many drafts.”

Overall, many different people came together and put in hours of hard work to ensure the success of the challenge.

“It took a good deal of time and energy,” said Snead, but when asked if it was worth it, there seemed to be no doubt. “100 percent absolutely,” he said. “It was a real pleasure to work with Noel and the leadership team and be inspired by their ideas and commitment.”

While the challenge was a success, Champion voiced hopes that the outcome will continue and have a lasting effect on the campus and the community. “It doesn't matter who wins,” Champion said. “Everybody won, they engaged awareness and saved money and energy.”

# THE BLOTTER

## ARREST REPORTS

**MONDAY**

**Willie James Larry**, of Milford, Kan., was booked for giving a worthless check. Bond was set at \$500.

**Gene Charles Langston**, of the 6000 block of Tuttle Terrace, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$2,500.

**Charles Woods**, of Wichita, was booked for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,500.

**Christopher Dawn Tyson**, of Junction City, was booked for two counts of failure to appear. Bond was set at \$35,000.

**Angela Meuli**, of Ogden, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$500.

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# AWARD | Sponsor appreciated by students

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“She’s honestly very amazing. She helps us no matter what. She’s obviously very busy with her own position at Kansas State University but she never has any problem being there for us.”

Button Renz said the faculty adviser position is there to support a chapter in their involvement on campus.

“They’re making the decisions, we’re more of a resource,” Button Renz said.

Gillespie nominated Button Renz for the award and introduced her to the crowd.

In her speech Gillespie said, “For the past three years, beginning as a freshman, I’ve had the pleasure of getting to know not just Mrs. Button Renz, K-State Alumni Association president and CEO, but Amy.”

“I typically will attend the reception because I’m really very supportive of Blue Key and mortar board and all the different things they do on campus. I didn’t know that I’d been nominated, but the president contacted me just to make sure I was going to attend,” Button Renz said.

In an interview, President Kirk Schulz said, “I was thrilled when I saw on the program that Amy was going to win the award. She does so much for Kansas State University and is very

deserving of this recognition. I was excited personally for her and she is a great K-Stater.”

“[Renz] goes above and beyond her

“I feel overwhelmed because I’m the lucky one. I get to have them in my life each and every day. I get to have the chance to be there for them.”

Amy Button Renz  
recipient of 2011 Blue Key  
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duties within Alpha Xi Delta. I know the students really appreciate that. It shows in what they do as an organization and how successful they’ve been. I think she’s a big reason for their success,” said Michael Ellis, president of Blue Key and senior in biology.

All campus organizations are asked to nominate advisers for the award, Highberger said.

An essay about the nominee is written and then reviewed by a panel. Members on the panel read each nomination then rank them in order

of who they think should receive the award.

“I received a packet. I went through every nomination, ranked them and gave them back. So I didn’t see anyone else’s. It’s all kept secret,” Highberger said.

Gayle Spencer, associate dean of student life, student activities and services, said, “We’re looking for advisers who go above and beyond the call of duty, how they helped students, the kind of things they do to impact that student organization and empower the students and student leaders in the group.”

Spencer said that each year different people are nominated and that indicates students’ appreciation for their organizations’ advisers.

There are about 450 student groups on campus with about 400 advisers, according to Spencer.

“It’s pretty cool that people think that what students do is so important that they help these groups,” Spencer said.

In his speech, President Schulz said, “I like to tell folks no matter what it is you like to do, you’re going to be able to come to K-State and find a group of people who have similar interests.”

“I think it’s important to recognize all of the faculty and staff who give of their time,” Spencer said.

## TO THE POINT

# More students should follow example and give in to personal creativity

**To the point** is an editorial selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian’s official opinion.

“The Couch Collective” is an amazing stop-motion video created by K-State and Manhattan Christian College students. They set out to create something different and be inspirational to everyone in Manhattan and they accomplished it. We, at the Collegian, greatly applaud the hard work and creativity that was put into this video.

Perhaps K-State should use this as a virtual campus tour promotion? It takes you through the main parts of campus and gives a perspective of student life. The video should be recognized as something big and important.

A stop-motion video is not some-

thing easy to create. It takes a lot of time, editing and photography. We feel that these students should be recognized for their efforts and should submit their video in a competition to receive an award for their design.

The students who created this video dedicated themselves to completing the project and making it special. We think every student should participate in more creative endeavors like this one and think outside the box. To quote the video: “Those who are free, yet do not truly live, are not free.”

If you have ideas or talents like these students do, show it off and make something creative that will shock and inspire. College is the best time to cultivate your skills.

We encourage everyone to watch “The Couch Collective” and cannot wait to see a sequel.



Tommy Theis | Collegian

Amy Button Renz, president and CEO of the Alumni Association won Faculty Adviser of the year for her work with Alpha Xi Delta sorority. Amy is picture here with a few members of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority shortly after receiving her award.

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